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The efforts to settle the Microsoft case have circumvented the protections that Judge Jackson initially laid down. While the dismissal of his punishment due to bias was ruled, I believe his severe measures were completely justified.

Microsoft is dangerous, dangerous as it wields enough power and influence to destroy the burgeoning innovators in the technology industries. As it expands its reach unrestricted, customers of American technology will suffer with fewer and fewer options.

The latest effort to "settle" by donating to education is the most self-serving action I have ever heard proposed. Do not cut the throat of one of only bastions against the Microsoft hegemony, by building the road right into the heart of the educational market. Apple Computer's tiny refuge would be bulldozed under.

Severe punishment and restrictions against Microsoft are the only justifiable actions in this case.

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